

EUVL optics for Free Electron Laser sources: damage studies and the use of adjusted wavelengths

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EUV lithography: sources

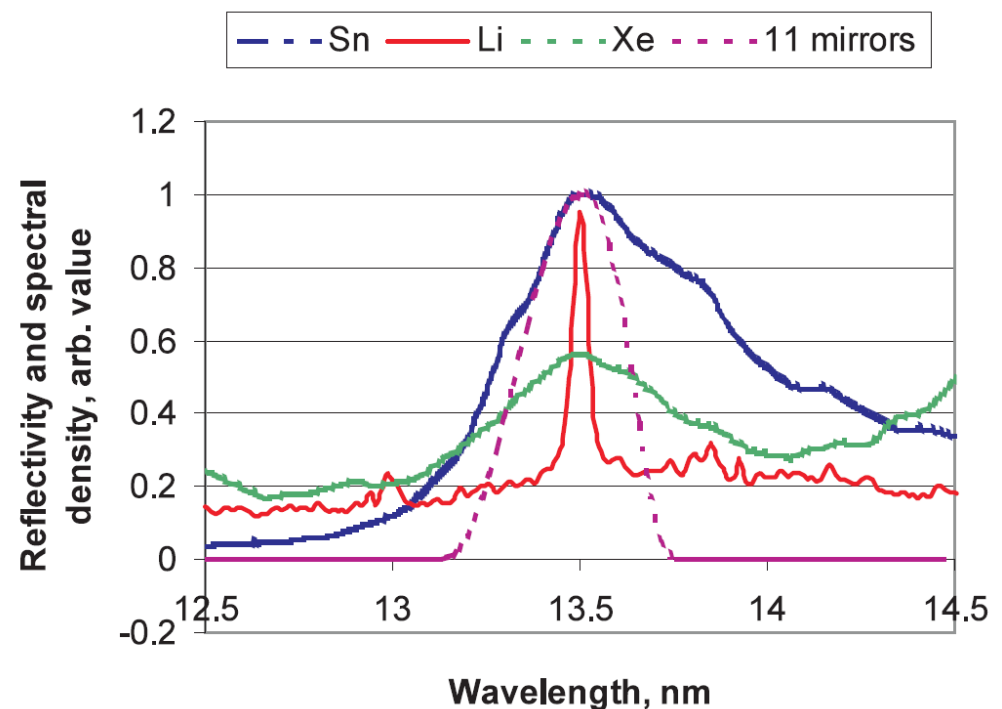
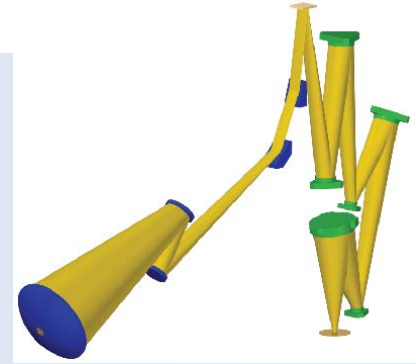
EUV sources:

✓ LPP, DPP

- can be relatively compact and cheap, but low intensity
- to utilize all power: mirror bandwidth \approx source bandwidth
- choice is Mo/Si based + 13.5 nm Sn source

✓ FEL

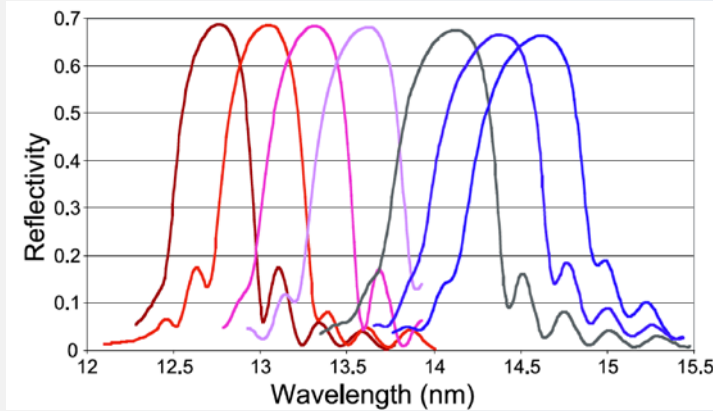
- expensive and large
- high power, narrow band
- tunable wavelength



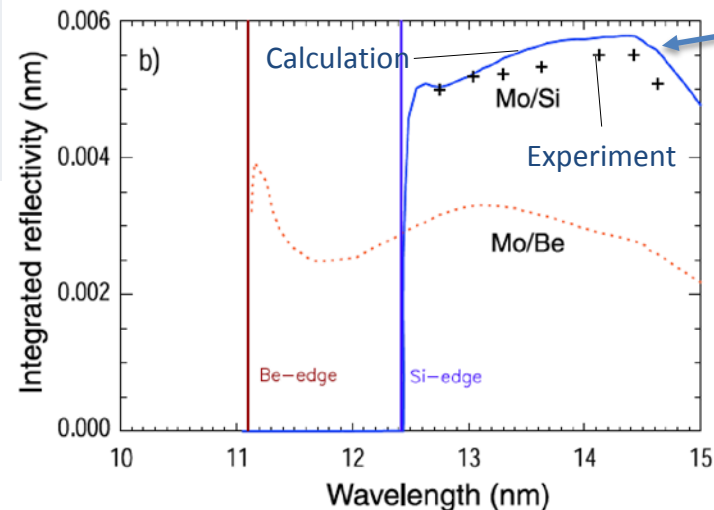
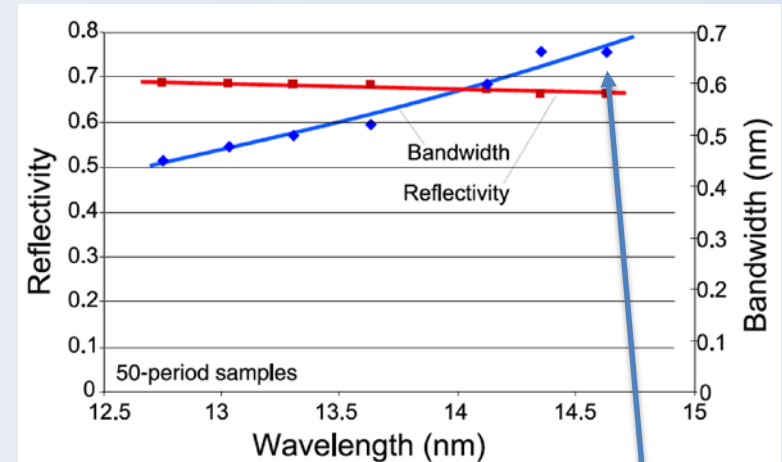
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Scaling around 13.5 nm

Trade-off peak reflectivity - BW



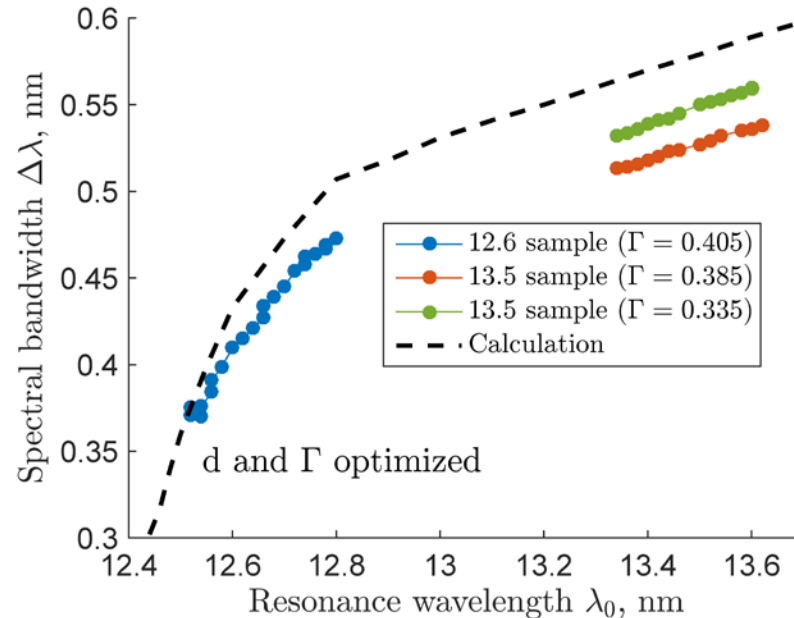
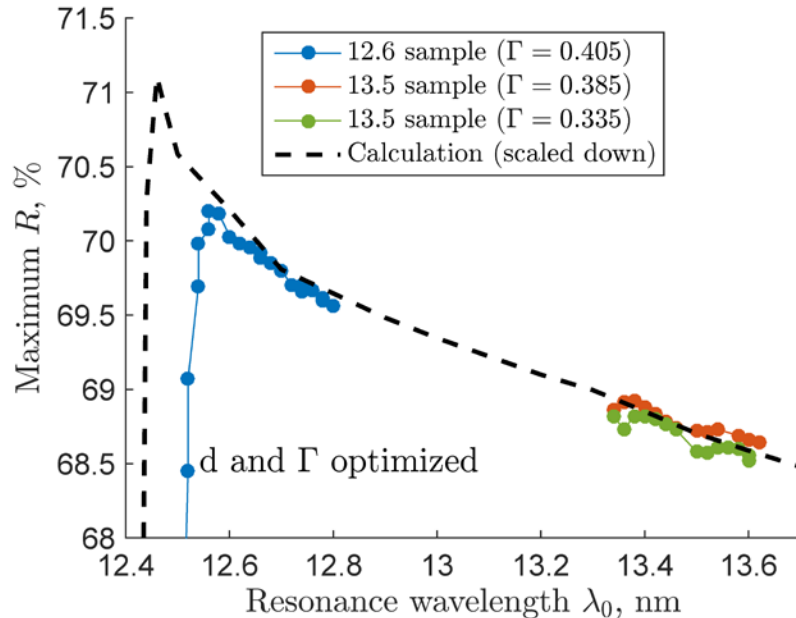
Small R-gain
towards Si-L edge



Broadband
sources favour
14.4 nm

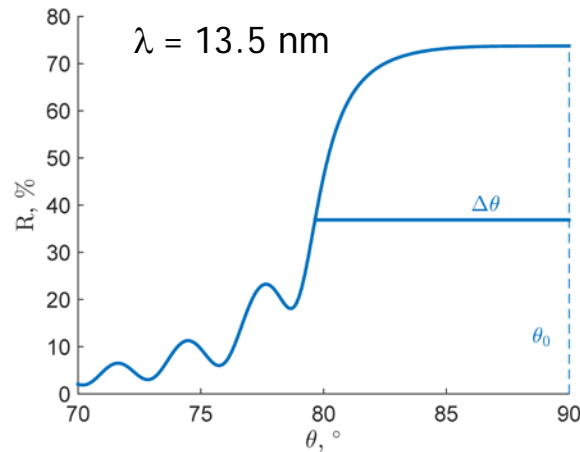
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Mo/Si reflectance and bandwidth



- Shift λ towards Si $L_{2,3}$ edge: strong increase of reflectance
→ 20-25% higher transmission of scanner optics and reduced absorption
- Spectral bandwidth reduces, no issue for narrow band source (like FEL)
- Discrepancy Si $L_{2,3}$ edge experimentally and predicted by CXRO optical constants

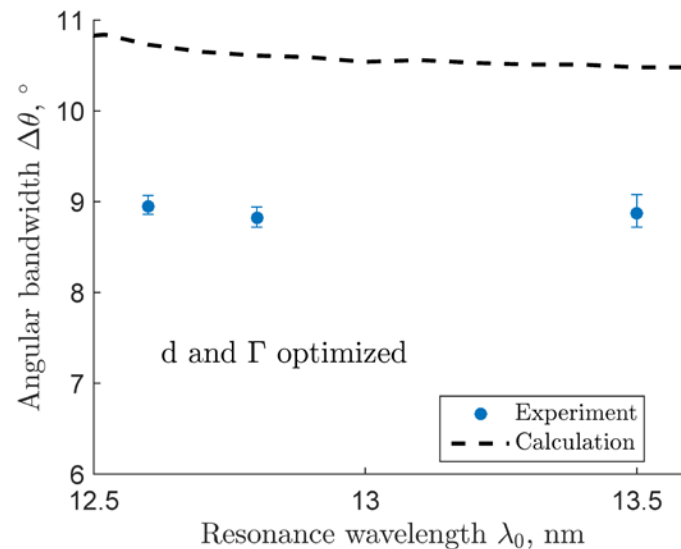
Angular bandwidth



But... taking optical constants into account

$$2d\sin\theta_0 = m\lambda_0 \Rightarrow \Delta\theta = 2\sqrt{\frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda_0}}$$

→ Reduction angular BW expected



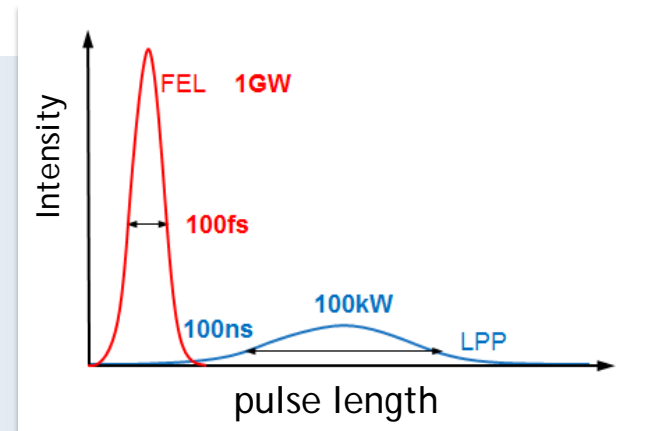
For an FEL source: shift λ towards Si $L_{2,3}$ edge: $\lambda = 12.6 \text{ nm}$

→ Reflection enhancement and no reduction of angular BW

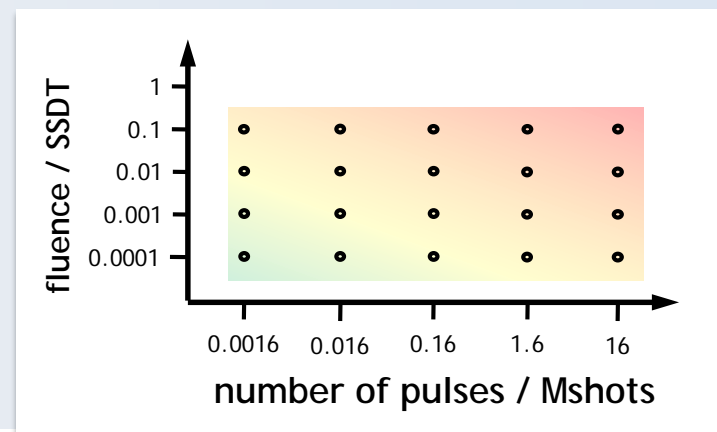
A. Zameshin et al, accepted for publ. J. of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology

Can optics withstand FEL radiation?

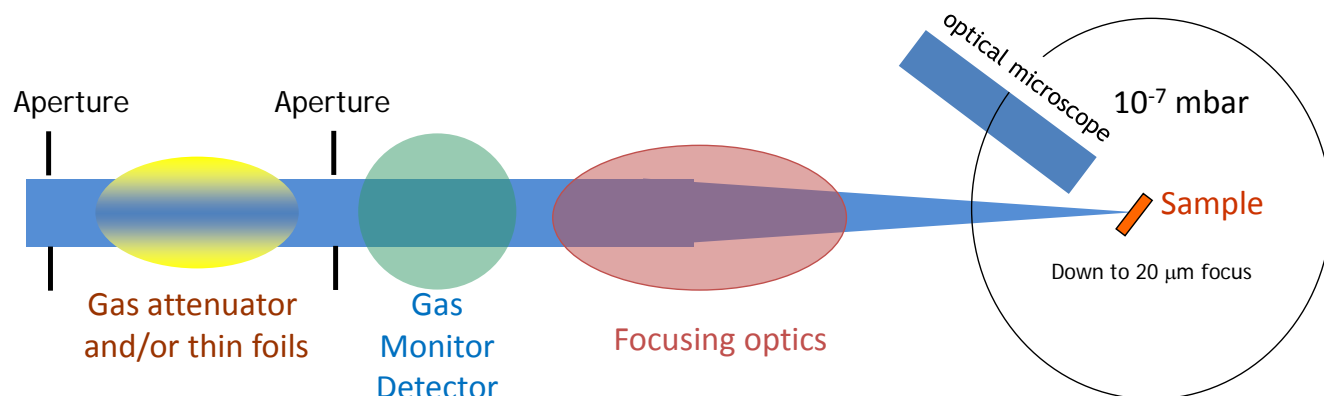
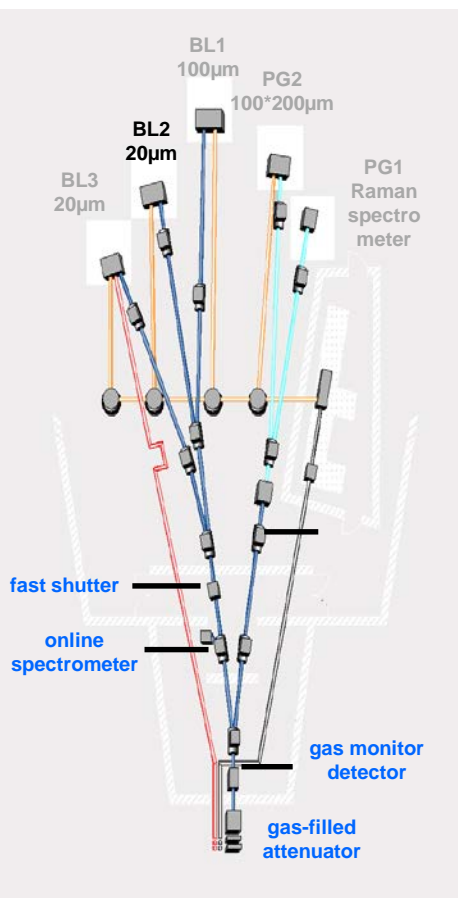
- ✓ Laser Plasma → Free Electron Laser:
 - Pulse duration 50 ns → 100 fs
 - Energy per pulse 10x reduced
- ✓ 10^5 increase of peak power density



- ✓ Relevant coating materials:
 - 50 nm Ru for grazing incidence
 - 50 bi-layer Mo/Si based multilayer for normal incidence
- ✓ Twofold approach:
 - Find single shot damage threshold and damage mechanism
 - Investigate multiple shot effects at realistic fluence levels



Test set-up at FLASH (Hamburg)



FEL pulse:

$$t_p = 100 \text{ fs}$$

$$\lambda = 13.5 \text{ nm}$$

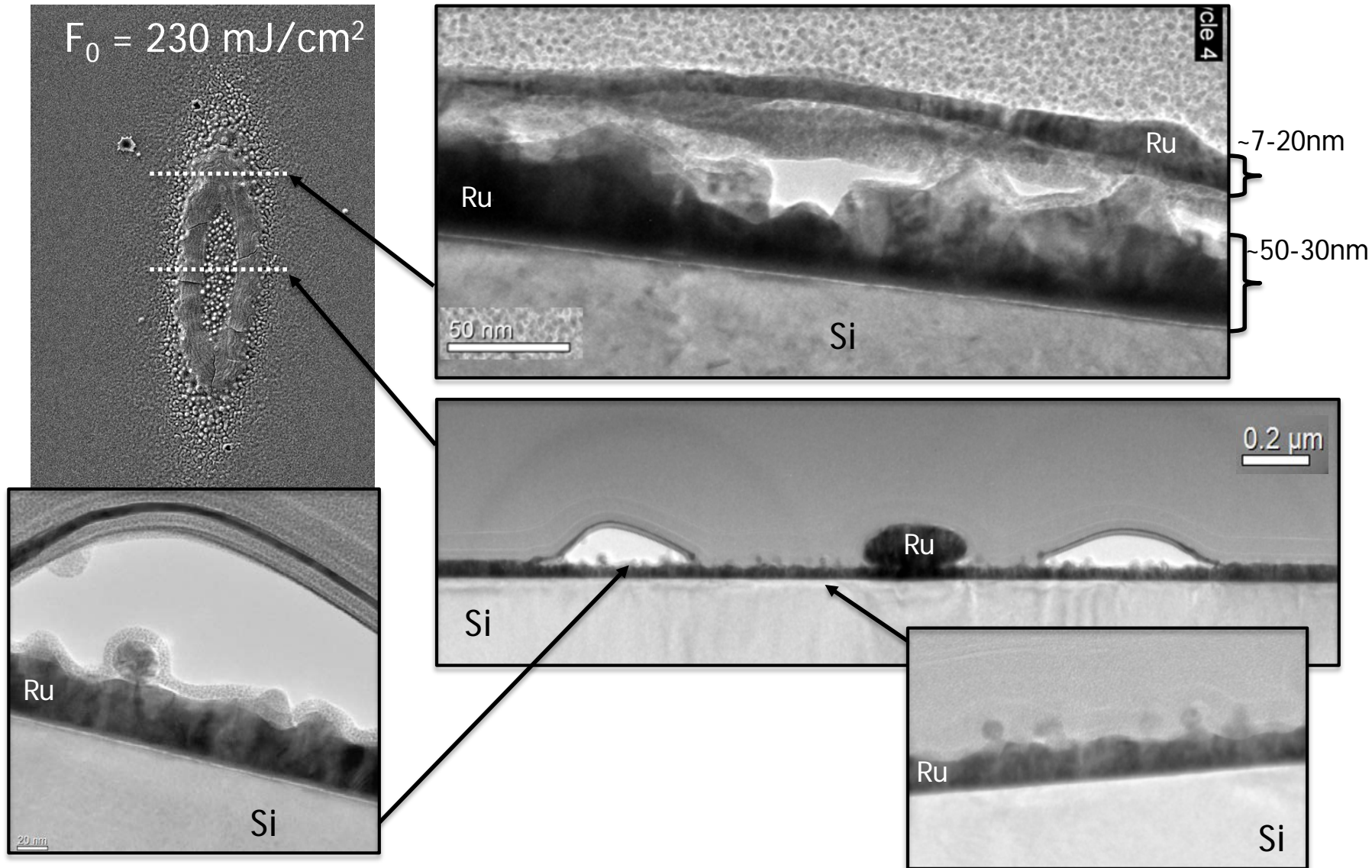
$$\text{Beam affective area} - 41 \mu\text{m}^2$$

$$\text{Pulse energy} \sim 0.08 - 0.17 \mu\text{J}$$

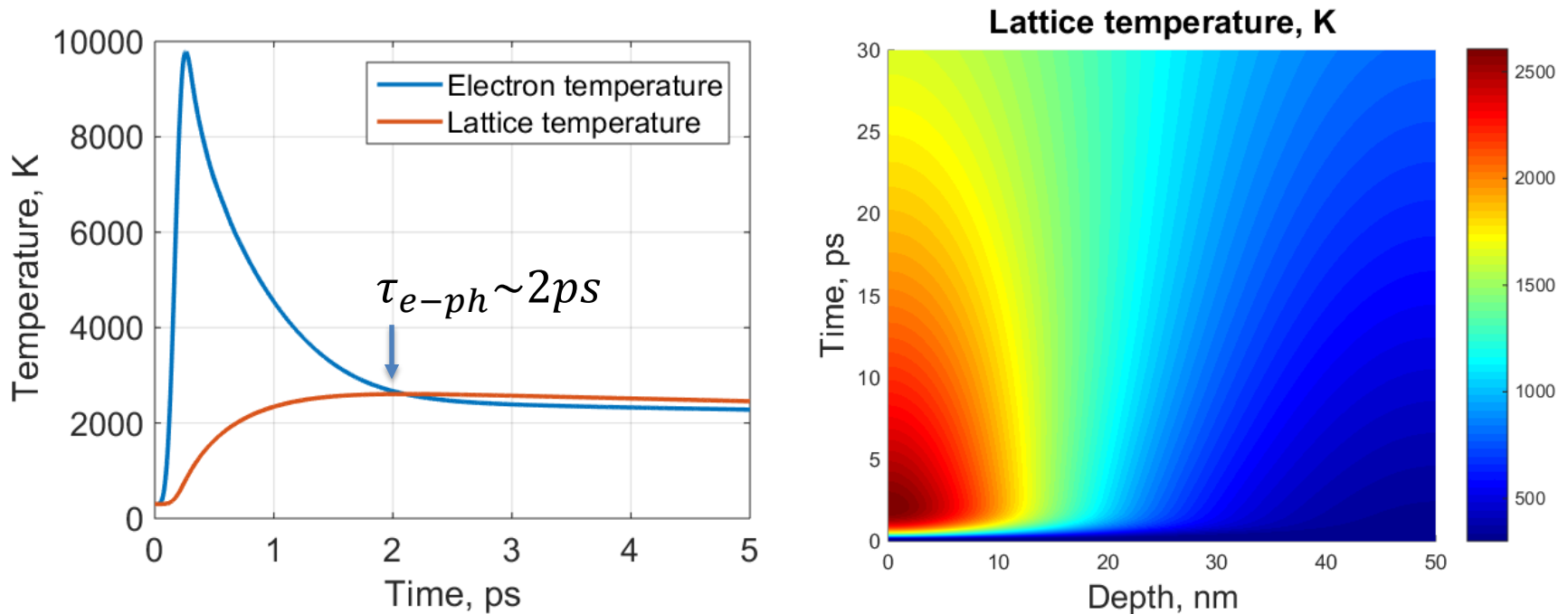
$$F_0 \text{ up to } 425 \text{ mJ/cm}^2$$



Single shot damage of Ru: spallation of the top layer

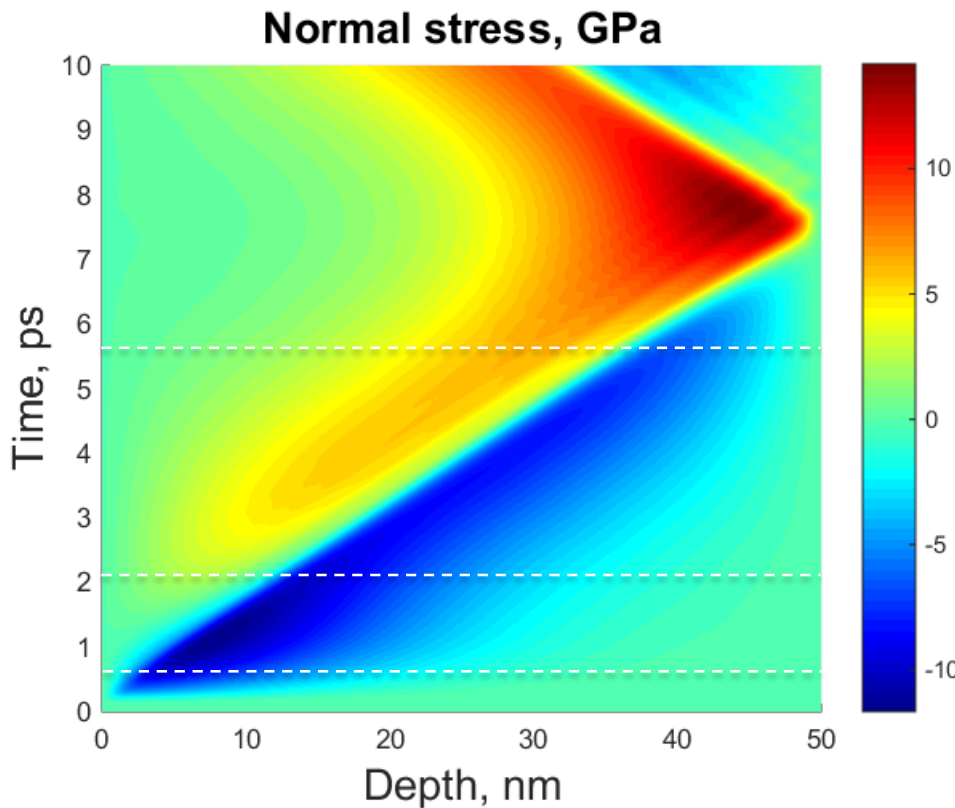


Surface temperatures of Ru , $F = 51 \text{ mJ/cm}^2$

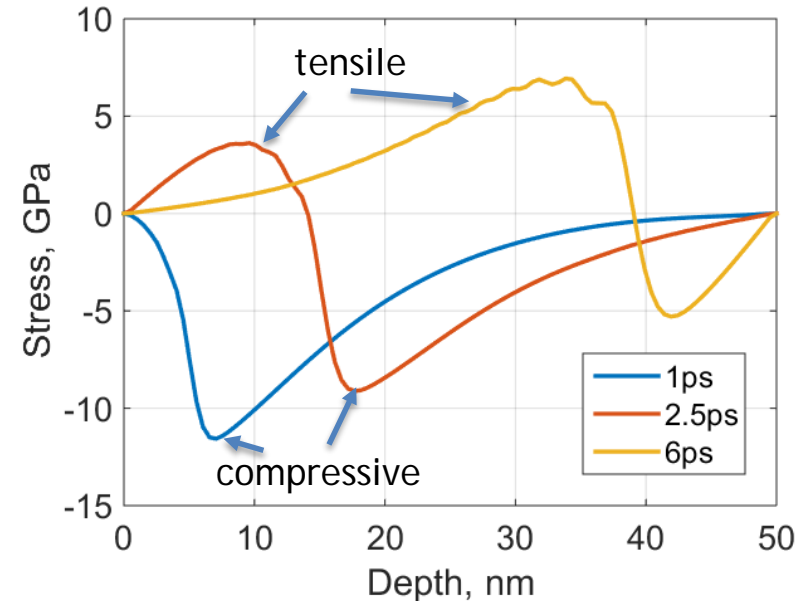


- Ru has high electron-phonon coupling factor:
 - thermal equilibrium reached in $\sim 2 \text{ ps}$
 - most heat stays in top 22 nm
- 2 ps too short for system to mechanically react

Stress distribution in Ru film

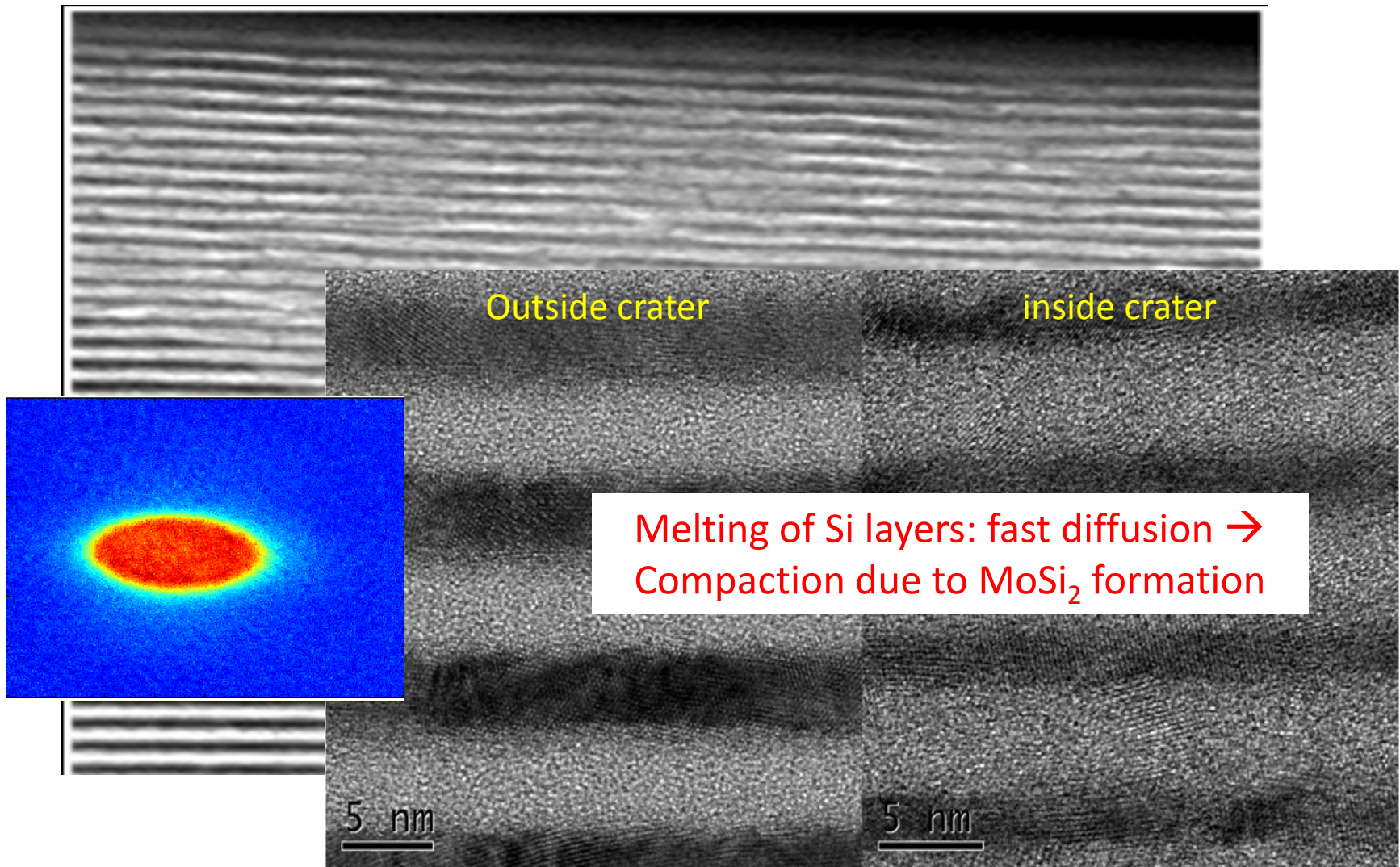


$$\rho \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = (\lambda + 2\mu) \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - (3\lambda + 2\mu)\alpha \frac{\partial T_p}{\partial x}$$



- Shock wave propagates into the layer
- High tensile stresses in depth of Ru → spallation top layer

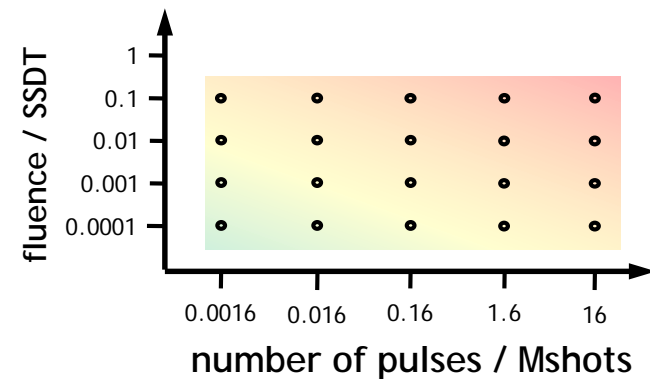
Single shot: Atomic diffusion in Mo/Si ($\lambda=13.5$ nm)



S. Khorsand et al. Optics Express, 18 (2010) 700-712; Sobierajski: 2014 Source Workshop, Dublin

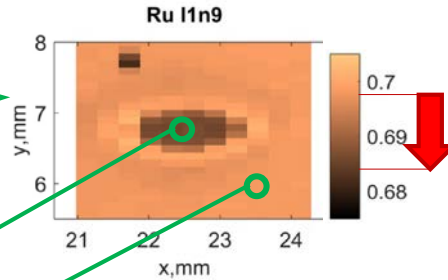
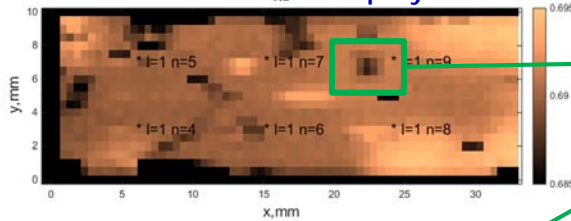
Multiple pulse exposures

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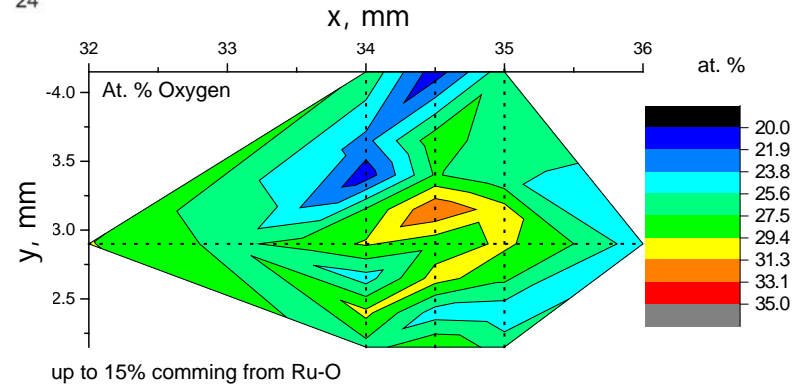
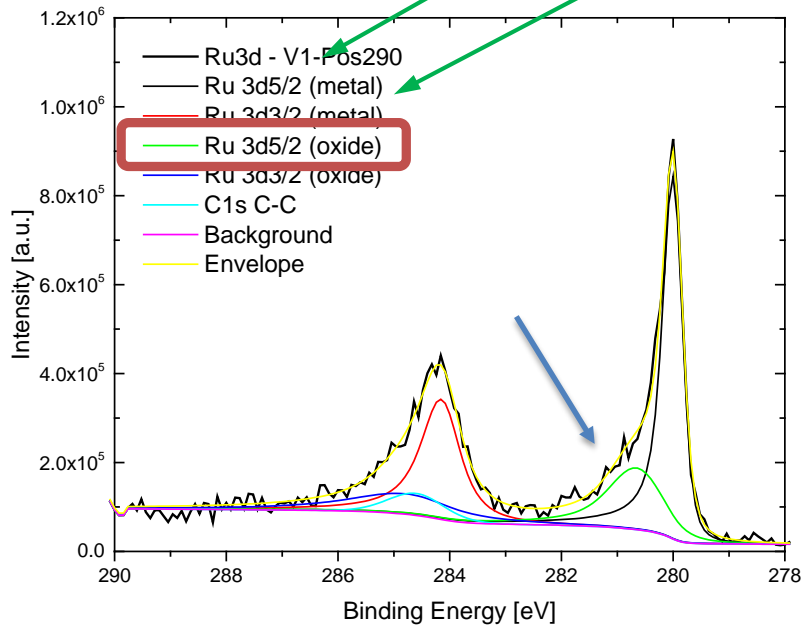
Multiple pulse exposure of Ru

EUV reflectance map by PTB

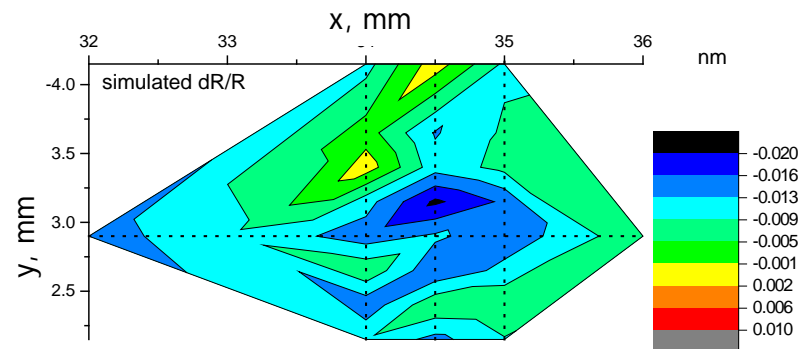


→ 1% reflectance loss after 16 Mshot @ fluence 10 % SSDT

XPS spectra



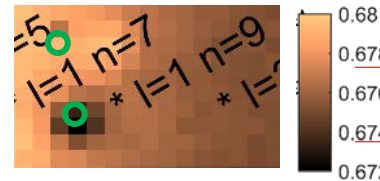
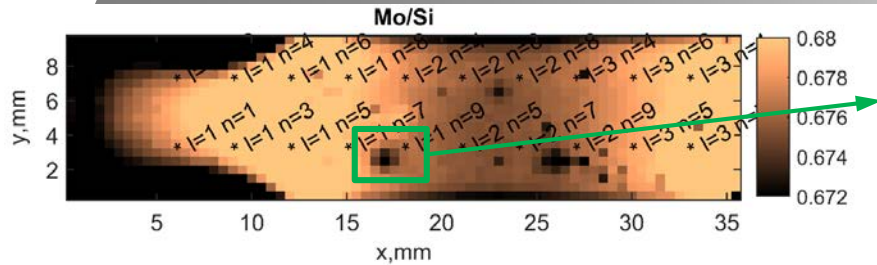
up to 15% coming from Ru-O



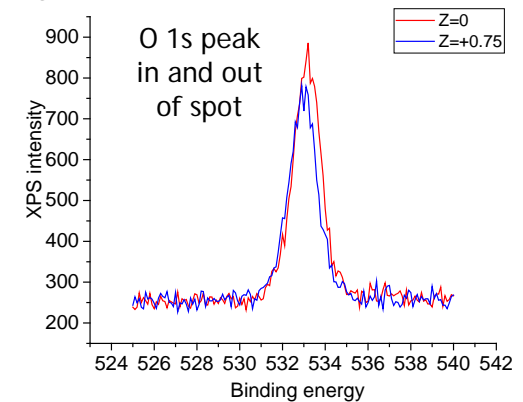
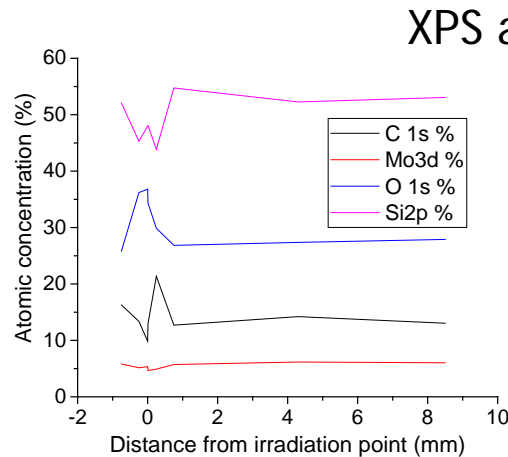
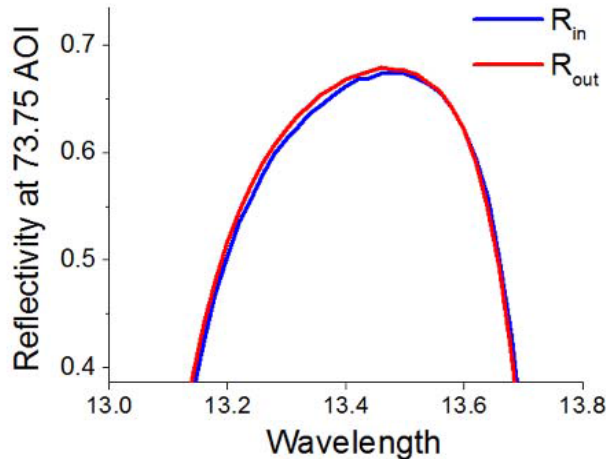
→ Reflectance loss explained by surface oxidation

I. Makhotkin et al, subm. Journal of Synchrotron Radiation

Multiple pulse exposure of Mo/Si ML



→ 0.6 % reflectance loss after 16 Mshot @ fluence 10 % SSDT



- ✓ No change of ML periodicity → no indication for in depth multilayer damage
- ✓ Top surface oxidation explains reflectance loss

Summary

- *Shift of operational λ towards Si $L_{2,3}$ edge $\rightarrow \lambda = 12.6$ nm*
 - *higher R and less absorption for Mo/Si based ML's*
 - *No reduction angular bandwidth*
 - *20-25 % higher transmission in a scanner (for a narrow band source)*
- *Single shot exposure @ damage threshold*
 - *Ru single layer, melting of Ru \rightarrow shockwave \rightarrow spallation top layer*
 - *Mo/Si multilayer: melting of Si \rightarrow enhanced diffusion and MoSi_2 formation*
- *Multiple shot exposures 16 MShot @ 10% of SSDT*
 - *Ru single layer, top surface oxidation and C-formation observed, explaining reflectance loss*
 - *Mo/Si multilayer: no in depth changes of ML observed
top surface oxidation explains reflectance loss*
- *No damage of Ru and Mo/Si observed for 16 MShot @ 10% SSDT level*

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